## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration** 

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New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The New England Fishery Management Council (Council) is scheduling a public meeting of its Groundfish Committee via webinar to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ). Recommendations from this group will be brought to the full Council for formal consideration and action, if appropriate.

**DATES:** This webinar will be held on Friday, December 2, 2022, at 9:30 a.m. Webinar registration URL information:

https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7021382725170021643

**ADDRESSES:** Council address: New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Mill 2, Newburyport, MA 01950.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Thomas A. Nies, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; telephone: (978) 465-0492.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

## Agenda:

The Committee will receive recommendations from the Groundfish Advisory

Panel, Recreational Advisory Panel, and Groundfish Plan Development Team,

They will discuss draft alternatives and draft impacts analysis in Framework Adjustment

65/Specifications & Management Measures, and make preferred recommendations to the

Council for final action to include: status determination criteria, rebuilding plan for Gulf

of Maine (GOM) cod, FY2023-FY2024 US/CA total allowable catches, FY2023-FY2024

specifications: Georges Bank (GB) yellowtail flounder and GB cod (including a catch

target for the recreational fishery), FY2023-FY2025 specifications for 14 stocks,

additional measures to promote stock rebuilding for GB cod and GOM cod, and revised

acceptable biological catch (ABC) control rules, in consultation with the Scientific and

Statistical Committee. The Committee will discuss the development of a draft white

paper on potential approaches to allocate "Georges Bank cod" to the recreational fishery

delivered in 2022 to inform the 2023 priorities discussion and make recommendations to

the Council. Other business will be discussed as necessary.

Although non-emergency issues not contained on the agenda may come before

this Council for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during

this meeting. Council action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this

notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action

under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act, provided the public has been notified

of the Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency. The public also

should be aware that the meeting will be recorded. Consistent with 16 U.S.C. 1852, a

copy of the recording is available upon request.

**Special Accommodations** 

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign

language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Thomas A. Nies,

Executive Director, at (978) 465-0492, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 et seq.

Dated: November 9, 2022.

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Office of Sustainable Fisheries,

National Marine Fisheries Service.

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